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Dozens busted in child porn sting

Major. More than 70 people were rounded up in a massive child pornography bust that was called the largest operation against child predators in New York. **Community.** Those arrested included a rabbi, police officers, a Boy Scout leader and dozens of others. PAGE 02



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Alex Hauter, manager of the 20/20 Deli in the Bronx, takes part in an initiative called Shop Healthy NYC that brings fruits and vegetables to areas in the Bronx where it's hard to find healthy food. / BESS ADLER, METRO

Rabbi, cops arrested in child pornography bust

Sexually explicit. The arrests were part of the largest operation in New York against child predators.

A rabbi, a Boy Scout leader, police officers and a mother are among 71 people arrested in recent weeks as part of a massive New York child pornography bust, authorities said on Wednesday.

The arrests are part of what authorities called the largest enforcement operation in New York of predators who possess, produce or distribute sexually-explicit images of children.

The victims who were sexually exploited and photographed ranged from newborn to 17 years old, officials said. Some of the images and videos showed children fondled and others showed them having sex with adults.

A rabbi, two police officers, two registered nurses, a paramedic, an au pair

Preying on children

"We can no longer assume that the only people who would stoop to prey on children are unemployed drifters."

James Hayes Jr.
special agent in charge of Homeland Security Investigations New York

and a man who served as both a Boy Scout den master and Little League baseball coach were among those arrested. One of the defendants, a woman, is accused of producing and distributing pornography of her own young child.

During the five-week-long operation, Department of Homeland Security investigators and NYPD detectives infiltrated file-sharing networks and identified 150 distinct Internet Protocol addresses registered to

users in the metropolitan area that were involved in the exchange of child pornography.

In addition to the arrests, nearly 600 desktop and laptop computers, tablets, smartphones and other devices were seized. The devices collectively contained 175 terabytes of data with tens of thousands of sexually explicit images and videos of children, officials said.

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Solemn ceremony as 9/11 Museum opens to public

Firemen, police officers and members of the public helped unfold a flag as part of the public opening of the National 9/11 Memorial Museum May 21. After the ceremony, the flag was transferred to the museum's permanent collection. The Museum opened last week to victims' families and first responders and was dedicated by President Barack Obama. / GETTY IMAGES

Crime

Kids accused of poisoning teacher's water

Cops arrested two Brooklyn elementary school students who allegedly snuck rat poison into a teacher's water this week.

The children, 9 and 12 years old, were charged with reckless endangerment and assault after the incident on Monday. The teacher, who had already drank from the bottle when authorities were notified by another student's parent, was recovering, officials said.

"God knows where kids get these ideas," Police Commissioner Bill Bratton told reporters.

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What's trending online at Metro.us

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Today's Tweet

"Even after getting punched in the face with a smell I still think 'I love you New York'"

@SarahKSilverman

Housing

Airbnb agrees to send user records to NY attorney general

Airbnb.com, a website specializing in short-term home rentals, agreed on Wednesday to turn over its user records to New York state officials in an ongoing investigation of



Airbnb will hand over its records. / GETTY IMAGES

illegal short-term renting in New York City, the company and officials said.

The agreement caps a months-long legal fight over a records database that could provide details on how much of Airbnb's business in the city is legitimate and how much runs afoul of state law. State Attorney General Eric Schneiderman opened an investigation into the company last year.

According to a statement issued by the company and the attorney general's office, the accord balances investigators' "commitment to protecting New York's residents and tourists from illegal hotels with Airbnb's concerns about the privacy of thousands of other hosts."

The agreement requires Airbnb, which allows people to publish rental listings, to begin

delivering its New York listings database, without turning over users' identities, to the state's attorney general for review within a month, the agreement stated.

If prosecutors suspect some of the anonymous hosts of violating state laws, Airbnb will be required to provide detailed user information, according to the agreement.

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The 20/20 Deli is one of the bodegas taking part of an effort to get more fresh produce to the Bronx. Alex Hauter, inset, manager of the deli, is helping to bring healthy food to the Bronx. / BESS ADLER, METRO

City expands healthy food push in Bronx

Fresh. Shop Healthy NYC encourages Bronxites to grab fruits and veggies over snack foods.

Alysha De La Cruz usually brings her lunch to work. On Wednesday, however, she walked a long block from her offices in search of a healthy meal.

She ordered a grilled chicken wrap with cheese, lettuce, tomato and spicy mustard from the deli at the 20/20 Deli. A nutritionist by trade, De La Cruz mostly works with young families — prenatal clients to 5-year-old kids.

"This is just really convenient for me since I forgot my lunch today," De La Cruz, 23, said. "And hey, they usually have healthy options."

De La Cruz is one of a stream of workers from the Urban Health Plan center in the South Bronx who stopped by the corner store on Southern Boulevard and East 167th Street.

It also happens to be one of some 170 stores that participated in a program to help Bronxites drop the candy bar and pick up an apple instead.

Earlier in the day at the Urban Health Plan head-

Controlling obesity rate

The program, launched in 2012 under Bloomberg, targets low-income communities with little access to healthy foods.

- The obesity rate in the Bronx is double Manhattan's — 30.5 compared to 13.9 percent.

tan's — 30.5 compared to 13.9 percent.

- Five of the 10 community districts across the city with the highest rate of death related to diabetes are also in the Bronx.

More options

"I think that it's a very frequently repeated misconception that the junk in these stores is there because that's what people want."

Mary Bassett

quarters, New York City Health Department Commissioner Dr. Mary Bassett announced that the city's program to bring healthier foods into struggling neighborhoods, Shop Healthy NYC, would expand in the Bronx and Brooklyn.

In all, 170 stores took part in the initiative.

The program will grow from its coverage of Hunts Point, Mott Haven and Longwood to East Tremont and will launch a pilot in Brooklyn's East New York.

Alex Hauter, manager

of the 20/20 Deli, said that his goal in taking part was to "keep our community healthy."

The store has no advertising in its front windows, places its candy bars behind a plastic case and puts juice drinks to the front of the sodas in the back. A rack of apples, oranges and bananas sits near the cash register.

Some pop-up markets are scheduled to open in the Bronx in July, but De La Cruz said it wasn't enough — not for families struggling with health issues.

"We have kids in our program who are diabetic, and they're 2 years old," she said, adding that the borough needs to see programs like Shop Healthy NYC expand. "Hopefully it's something that grows throughout the Bronx and beyond."

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New app brings classic map of subway to life

Move. Tunnel Vision turns the distinctive MTA map into an interactive experience.

The New York City subway map can be brought to life with a new iPhone application.

Tunnel Vision turns the subway map into an interactive experience using data from the U.S. Census and Metropolitan Transportation Authority.

By simply pointing their phones at the map, app users can track train movements in real-time, see how many riders are entering and exiting stations and visualize nearby median rent and population density.

William Lindmeier developed the free app over the last semester as his



The app turns the subway map into an interactive experience. / TUNNEL VISION

NYU graduate thesis project. He said he became interested in data visualizations as a student in the Interactive Telecommunications Program.

"I wanted to create a portrait of NYC through data," Lindmeier said in an email. "Using the map as a platform seemed like a good fit because it's so integral to life as a New Yorker."

The app is less of a "way-finding app" than

a tool for understanding what's happening throughout and around the subway system, Lindmeier said.

"The app provides a way of exploring the neighborhoods and people that make up the city," he said.

Check it out at www.TunnelVisionApp.com.

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Investigation

Man dies in shooting outside of a Bronx school

A man was shot dead outside a Bronx public school on Wednesday

morning, according to police.

The 45-year-old man was shot in the head shortly after 9 a.m. near East 229th Street outside P.S. 112 Bronxwood in Edenwald, police said.

Investigators believe a man in a U-Haul fired at the victim and drove off, abandoning the truck a few blocks away, police said. Witnesses told police the suspect then fled on foot.

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Cuomo names Kathy Hochul as running mate

Politics. Hochul would serve as the lieutenant governor of New York.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo found a new running mate in former Congresswoman Kathy Hochul.

The incumbent governor named Hochul as the New York State's Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor after Lt. Gov. Robert Duffy announced he would not seek reelection with Cuomo in 2014.

"It is exciting to see how far we have come as

a state and I don't want to be on the sidelines for what the future holds," Hochul said.

Previously, Hochul won a 2011 special election that sent her to Congress for one term. A Buffalo native, she also served as Erie County Clerk from 2007 until 2011. After her stint in Washington, D.C., she worked as a vice president with M&T Bank.

Cuomo, who is scheduled to accept the party's nomination for reelection on Thursday, praised Hochul.

"Kathy is a person who knows Upstate New York, knows Western New York, knows the federal govern-



Kathy Hochul / GETTY IMAGES

ment, who has worked in the private sector and knows business, who knows New York's needs all across the board," Cuomo wrote.

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Ship parade struts its stuff in Hudson

The Parade of Ships commenced Wednesday when military vessels showed off in the Hudson River as part of Fleet Week. A host of activities will take place over Fleet Week including ship tours and a Memorial Day ceremony. On Wednesday evening, troops attended a Mets game.

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Tourism

Settlement proposed in NYC charter bus class action lawsuit

Riders of two New York City tour bus companies have proposed a \$19 million settlement to end a class-action lawsuit that claimed the businesses joined forces to run an

illegal monopoly, court documents showed.

Twin America LLC — a joint venture of former rivals Coach USA Inc and CitySights LLC, formed in March 2009 — was accused by riders of overcharging its passengers, according to the proposed settlement filed in Manhattan federal court late Tuesday.

The suit said the company was able to fix prices as much as 17 percent above the prior market rate after partnering, overcharging passengers by \$5 or more. The U.S. Department of Justice and the New York State Attorney General have also filed lawsuits against the companies. **REUTERS**

Obama vows to get to truth of Veterans Affairs controversy

VA reports. This is the latest allegation of bureaucratic mismanagement to hit the Obama administration.

President Barack Obama vowed on Wednesday to get to the bottom of allegations of neglect of veterans' health care and made clear Veterans Affairs Secretary Eric Shinseki's job may be on the line as he scrambled to contain a budding controversy.

The President appeared in the White House press briefing room moments after meeting Shinseki and Rob Nabors, the top Obama aide who is leading a review into allegations that long wait times for veterans seeking medical treatment could have led to some deaths.

He said he expects to get the preliminary results of a review about the scope of the problem at the Veterans Administration next week.



President Barack Obama makes statement to the news media about the recent problems at the Veterans Affairs Department. / GETTY IMAGES

Quoted

"If these allegations prove to be true, it is dishonorable, it is disgraceful, and I will not tolerate it, period."

Obama

Obama sidestepped a question as to whether Shinseki had tendered his resignation, but hinted that the retired four-star general may not want to stay on if it turns out the allegations are as sweeping as suggested.

"If he thinks he's let our veterans down, then I'm sure that he is not going to be interested in continuing to serve," Obama said. "At this stage, Ric is committed to solving the problem and working with us to do it."

Until now the White House has insisted Shinseki enjoyed Obama's confidence and officials have drawn parallels between him and Kathleen Sebelius, who stayed on as secretary of health and human services for months trying to clean up problems with the rollout of Obama's signature health care law. **REUTERS**

Investigating

Pelosi names Democrats to Benghazi panel

U.S. House of Representatives Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi on Wednesday named the

five members of her party who will serve on a special panel investigating the 2012 attack on a U.S. diplomatic compound in Benghazi, Libya.

Benghazi, Libya. After weeks of deliberating over whether to participate in a Republican-

led panel that Democrats predict will be partisan, Pelosi announced the members who will round out the committee. House Speaker John Boehner already has appointed the seven Republican members. **REUTERS**



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Hack attack. EBay says client identity information was stolen

EBay Inc. said hackers stole email addresses, birthdays and other identity information between late February and early March in a data breach that may have affected a "large number" of accounts.

In the latest major cyber attack at a U.S. company, eBay said it had found no evidence of unauthorized access to financial or credit card information, which is stored separately in encrypted formats.



But the company urged all of its users, including the 145 million customers who bought or sold something on eBay in the last 12 months, to change their passwords.

REUTERS

Judge's orders

Government told to turn over GITMO videos

A federal judge who last week blocked the force-feeding of a prisoner on a hunger strike at Guantanamo Bay ordered the government on Wednesday to turn over videos showing the prisoner forced from his cell and fed through a tube.

U.S. District Judge Gladys Kessler told the U.S. Justice Department to turn over more than 30 videos to lawyers for the Syrian prisoner Abu Wa'el Dhiab. **REUTERS**

Cyber spying

Chinese media call US a 'mincing rascal'

Chinese state media labeled the United States a "mincing rascal" and

"high-level hooligan" on Wednesday in response to Washington charging five Chinese military officers with hacking U.S. companies to steal trade secrets.

The indictment on Monday was the first criminal

hacking charge the U.S. has filed against specific foreign officials, and follows a rise in public criticism and private confrontation between the world's two biggest economies over cyber espionage. **REUTERS**

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GM. Number of recalls in US this year hits 29

General Motors Co. is recalling more than 218,000 older Chevrolet small cars in the United States and its territories due to a potential fire hazard, bringing U.S. recalls this year to 29 and a record number of vehicles.

The recall, and a related smaller action, is the latest announced by GM, the largest U.S. automaker. A day after recalling 2.6 million vehicles globally, most of them in the United States, GM is recalling 218,000 Chevrolet Aveo cars in the United States from model years 2004 to 2008. The problem with the cars stems from a faulty part in their daytime running lights that could overheat and cause a fire, according to documents filed with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

GM is recalling 214 Chevy Optra cars from the same model years that were sold in U.S. territories for the same problem.



The latest recall is related to daytime running lights overheating. / GETTY IMAGES

By the numbers

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The recall with the highest profile was of cars with defective ignition switches linked to at least 13 deaths. The company has been criticized by safety advocates and fined for its delayed response in catching the faulty switch.

Both cars were built in South Korea. GM said it was aware of some fires related to the problem but did not say how many. **REUTERS**

Fee transparency

DoT wants new air rules

Airlines should disclose fees for checked baggage, carry-on items and other a la carte services to make it easier for travelers to discern the true cost of a ticket, the U.S. Department of Transportation said. The new disclosure rules would also stipulate that online flight search sites such as Expedia Inc., Google Inc. and Kayak provide more information. **REUTERS**

Los Angeles

Mom arrested in daughters' deaths

A California mother has been arrested in the killing of her three daughters, aged 2 months to 3 years, who were found dead at a home near Los Angeles, police said on Wednesday. **REUTERS**

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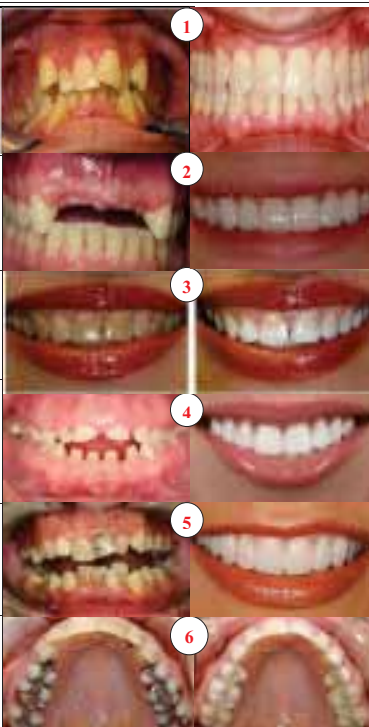
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Ukraine border

Russia: Troops pulling back

Russia said on Wednesday that troops deployed for exercises near the Ukrainian border had dismantled equipment and were

moving to train stations and airfields for return to their permanent bases, but the United States and NATO said they saw no clear signs of a pullout.

The Kremlin said on Monday that President

Vladimir Putin had told his defense chief to order troops to pull back from the frontier with Ukraine, where eastern regions have fallen largely under the control of pro-Russian rebels. **REUTERS**



China, Russia sign \$400B gas deal

China and Russia signed a \$400-billion gas supply deal on Wednesday, securing the world's top energy user a major source of cleaner fuel and opening up a new market for Moscow as it risks losing European customers over the Ukraine crisis. The long-awaited agreement is a political triumph for Russian President Vladimir Putin, who is courting partners in Asia as those in Europe and the United States seek to isolate him over Moscow's annexation of Ukraine's Crimea peninsula. Commercially, much depends on the price and other terms of the contract, which has been more than a decade in the making. **REUTERS** / GETTY IMAGES

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Media. New Facebook feature will share users' entertainment picks

Facebook Inc., will add technology to its mobile apps that recognizes the music, movies or television shows its users are enjoying, in the company's latest move to give prominence to media and entertainment on its social network.

Facebook, which announced the move in a post on its official blog on Wednesday, is working with streaming music services Spotify, Rdio and Deezer to offer the music previews.

If a television show is detected, Facebook would highlight the specific seasons and episodes that users are watching and share it in their news feeds.

The new tool comes as Facebook is increasingly competing with Twitter Inc. to become the main online venue where consumers discuss television shows, sports and other entertainment in real time.

The new feature acti-



The new feature will be available on the Android and iOS versions of its app in the U.S. in the coming weeks, the company said. / GETTY IMAGES

Preview

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The new feature, which is off by default and must be activated by the user, would create a status update on Facebook that identifies the song a user is listening to and provide a 30-second preview of it, if available, to the user's friends.

vates the microphone on a smartphone and detects the music, movie or television show playing in the

background, similar to the way the popular Shazam app works.

Once users activate the feature, the technology attempts to recognize the music or video playing in the background any time a Facebook user composes a status update.

Facebook said only songs or videos would be identified and the feature, which recognizes "millions" of songs, wouldn't store sounds in the background. **REUTERS**

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Brody Jenner will be a no-show at wedding

Every day, we've been lucky enough to see pictures of each Kardashian and Jenner clan member making his or her way through the airport en route to Paris for Kim and Kanye's nuptials. But there's one

member of the Hollywood dynasty who we won't see at LAX in sweatpants and sunglasses shielding his eyes from photographer's flashes while bearing a toothy grin for the gossip blogs. And that's Brody Jenner.

Us Weekly confirms that Bruce's son decided to stay home this weekend because his girlfriend Kaitlynn Carter wasn't a plus-one on the invitation. Guess Kimye wanted to save money on a dinner plate where they could.

Talking point

Chastain not up for 'True Detective'

Jessica Chastain played a CIA bad-ass in "Zero Dark Thirty," a ditzzy housewife in "The Help," and she'll play a count's daughter in this year's "Miss Julie." Rumors have been swirling this week that the Oscar-nominated actress

will play a lead in the next season of HBO's "True Detective." Sadly, HBO on Wednesday quashed those rumors. There will be a female lead, however, according to show creator Nic Pizzolatto. If Chastain isn't up for the part, I can certainly see Charlize Theron or Sandra Bullock stepping into that role.



Hill, left, and Tatum rib at the MTV Movie Awards in April. / ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Talk about a scene straight out of a 'Magic Mike' sequel

We've had some time to process Channing Tatum's very open interview with GQ magazine and THIS is definitely the most shocking part: The hunky actor revealed that his "21 Jump Street" co-star Jonah Hill made a very NSFW bet back in 2012. Hill had said that the cop comedy wouldn't make more than \$35 million at the box office during opening weekend. And if it did, he would kiss ... wait for it ... the tip of Tatum's penis. The movie made \$36.3 million. Heads. Explode.

THE WORD

Christina Paciolla takes on the world of gossip.

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Turns out, Hill has not yet made good on his promise and said he'd have to clear it with his co-star's wife first. Tatum didn't seem too thrilled in his interview with the possibility of the kiss though. "It would change our relationship forever," he told the magazine.

Tatum also revealed details of "Magic Mike XXL," set to hit theaters next summer.

The exotic dancers will be going to a strippers' convention. Can I get a seat on that bus?

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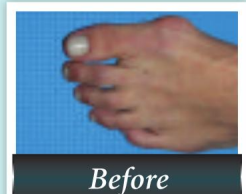


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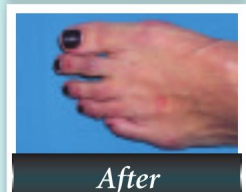


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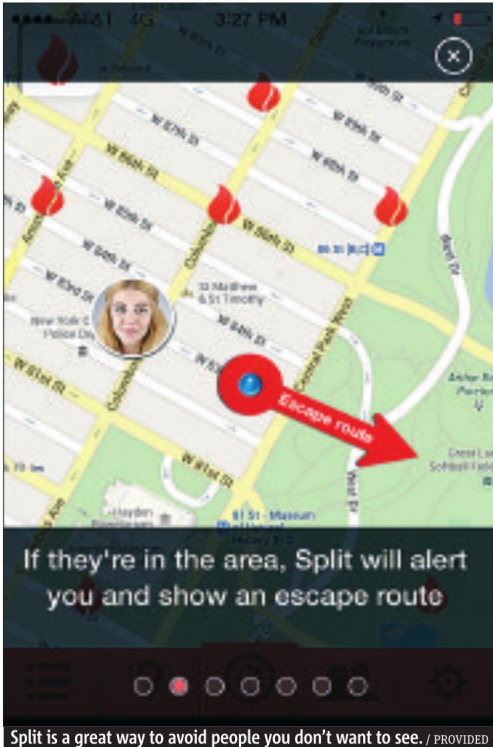


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"After 7 years, I can finally wear heels again" - C. Stephen



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Last month the film "Transcendence" depicted a truly monstrous dystopia: a near-future where people "unplugged" from technology. No one saw it, suggesting that the idea of not being on Instagram is too frightening for most to consider. But for some, the anxiety of being permanently connected is real. Some of you drop off Facebook or Twitter to take "social media breaks" — anything to get away from the constant din of the online world, where you can broadcast your every thought and move, chucking your fears of "Big Brother" as you willingly report on yourself.

If, however, you want to do something less rash than calling it quits, Split is your app. It's an "antisocial" program that lets you decrease your social media activity in moderation. It does this by targeting your, shall we say, superfluous friends — the ones you became

online "buddies" with out of some twisted sense of social pressure or decency.

Perhaps you have annoying friends or people with whom you have beef (but are still connected to via Facebook, Twitter or Instagram, evidently). Split allows you to mark the unwelcome parties as ones to "avoid." The app will let you scan locations to see where they've advertised themselves as being, or even places they frequent. It even gives you, if you find yourself in close proximity, escape routes. This can work both ways: You can take a social media break by briefly dropping off the grid.

Then again, you could look at an anti-social-media app such as Split as its own form of micro-managing. In trying to lessen technology's hold, it takes it to another level. Horrible run-ins are horrible, but they are also one of the few genuine social surprises we have left in life. If we now can know how best to avoid an old flame, then ... sorry, never mind. Maybe technology isn't so bad after all.



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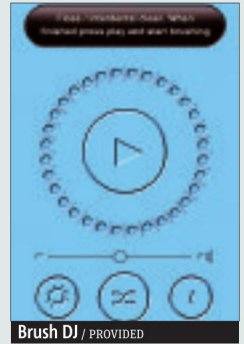
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TV watch list

DRAMA

'Gang Related'

It's double-crosses all around in this show. A gang member goes reverse undercover as a member of the LAPD Gang Task Force. **SERIES PREMIERE, 9 P.M., FOX**

COMEDY

'Last Comic Standing'

The latest quest to find the best stand-up comic premieres with judges Roseanne Barr, Keenen Ivory Wayans and Russell Peters. J.B. Smoove hosts. **SEASON PREMIERE, 9 P.M., NBC**

REALITY

'Hell's Kitchen'

The remaining 10 chefs must show off their skills with pork. The winners will go indoor skydiving, just like in a real restaurant. Wait, that can't be right. **8 P.M., FOX**

COMEDY

'Comedy Bang Bang'

Former "Office" star Jenna Fischer appears in this episode of the faux talk show hosted by Scott Aukerman. **10:30 P.M., IFC**
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Expect some conflicted loyalties on Fox's "Gang Related." / RICHARD FOREMAN, FOX

2 'Blended'

Adam Sandler wanted to go to Africa, so he made a film about it, knowing that his fans will see anything (except "That's My Boy," which was actually funny). Drew Barrymore stars, too, which might have a centering influence on Sandler.

3 'The Immigrant'

The last time Joaquin Phoenix and director James Gray collaborated (on "Two Lovers"), the former sabotaged the press tour by doing his fake-rapper shtick. Reunited, they head back to 1921 New York with Phoenix's pimp joining up with a Polish woman (Marion Cotillard).

4 'The Double'

Continuing his move from actor to director, "The IT Crowd" star Richard Ayoade follows up "Submarine" with this loose, grimy take on Dostoevsky's novella, featuring two Jesse Eisenbergs macking on Mia Wasikowska.

5 'Godzilla'

Serious for the first time since the 1954 original, the rampaging, fire-breathing lizard gets rebooted, this time squar-

ing off against an over-qualified cast that includes Elizabeth Olsen, Sally Hawkins, Bryan Cranston and Juliette Binoche.

6 'Million Dollar Arm'

Jon Hamm transfers his workaholic routine to the big screen, playing a sports agent whose get-rich-quick scheme involves heading to India to find out if any cricket players might be turned into killer baseball pitchers.

The big draw

'X-Men: Days of Future Past'

1 Sadly, this isn't a comic book riff on the Moody Blues album "Days of Future Passed," but the latest entry in the franchise, this one involving time travel and giant killer robots. Actually, that sounds more fun.



Jennifer Lawrence was under contract to revisit Mystique in "X-Men: Days of Future Past." / ALAN MARKFIELD

7 'Chef'

Taking a break from comic-book movies, Jon Favreau not only writes and directs but also returns to lead acting duty as a culinary king who, after a flame-out, reinvigorates himself by buying a food truck.

8 'Palo Alto'

The Coppola family boasts another filmmaker with Gia — niece of Sofia — tackling James Franco's book of short stories about California high schoolers, among them a student (Emma Roberts) sleeping with her coach (played by Franco himself).

9 'God's Pocket'

One of Philip Seymour Hoffman's final performances is in this drama about a man whose life is upturned by his stepson's death. The director is no less than John Slattery, who

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Metro rounds up what's in cinemas this week.

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cut his teeth helming episodes of "Mad Men."

10 'Neighbors'

Seth Rogen is getting old (OK, he's 32), which means it's time for him to play a new dad squaring off against the hard-partying frat that's moved in next door, led by college kid Zac Efron (OK, he's 26).

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Repertory. Be like the French: See Jerry Lewis movies this weekend

Does the line that “only the French love Jerry Lewis” still exist? The old still love him, sure, but so, increasingly, do cinephiles, who’ve come to appreciate the cinematic invention and unique gags in the once-derided likes of “The Errand Boy” and “Cinderfella.” Is Adam Sandler next on the reconsideration block? Perhaps, though Jerry had craft, and more than two facial expressions — an infinite number of them, really.

One of the three Lewis films screened by Anthology Film Archives over Memorial Day Weekend, 1980’s “Hardly Working,” was called by Roger Ebert “one of the great non-experiences of my moviegoing life” and “one of the worst movies ever to achieve commercial release in this country.”

But what seemed incompetent then seems singular today, and his 1970 Nazi satire “Which Way to the Front?” —



Jerry Lewis, center, plays a playboy turned military man in “Which Way to the Front?” / PROVIDED

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which got a “BOMB” from Leonard Maltin — has been praised for its comic insanity and indulging in a Jewish revenge fantasy loopier than the one in “Inglourious Basterds.”

Also on tap will be “One More Time,” from 1970. The Rat Pack once wanted nothing to do with Jerry Lewis, but he had his revenge here by hobnobbing with members Sammy Davis Jr. and Peter Lawford. **MATT PRIGGE**

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Drew Barrymore and Adam Sandler may fight in "Blended," but you know it will wind up here. / WARNER BROS. PICTURE

Interview. "Blended" stars Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore only meet every eight years.

Now that they're on their third romantic comedy together, Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore are obviously big fans of each other

— though Sandler says that until their latest, "Blended," it was all an act. "I love Drew. I've known her a long time. In all three movies, we have the pleasure of falling in love. The first two I faked it. But this one I really did," he jokes about his "The Wedding Singer" and "50 First Dates" co-star, to which she responds, "You fake it good."

The secret to their long-standing partnership? Patience, according to Barrymore. "Every eight years, I call [Sandler] up and I say, 'We need to meet for lunch,'" she explains. "And then I say, 'It's time.'"

With "Blended," they

take on a rather unique set of dating circumstances: a widower and a divorcee, each with multiple kids at home, initially meet on a disastrous blind date and then accidentally share a family vacation to Africa, where being forced to spend time with each other gives them a chance to reconsider the other's faults.

For their third go-round together, Sandler and Barrymore find themselves playing parents, which might have as much to do with their age as it does with the fact that both stars now have kids at home. "I am now a mom. I'm going to be there for my kids."

Moms are my Achilles' heel, emotionally speaking," Barrymore explains. "What really got me about reading the script and what gets me when I watch the movie is I want funny because I need to laugh, but I need heart and I need emotion. I want to laugh and I want to cry. ... When these two people quietly talk about how they just want to be good parents and what is going to make their kids happy and how are they going to function in this world, that just gets me. It made me cry in the script and it makes me cry in the movie."

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doing as a new mom? Her co-star gives her high marks. "You're all about your kids," he says, smiling. Not to be outdone in the mutual appreciation society, Barrymore has nice things to say about Sandler's parenting skills as well: "You're a good,

patient, loving, awesome parent much like your character in the movies. That's always what I've taken away from it," she tells him. Get a room, you two.



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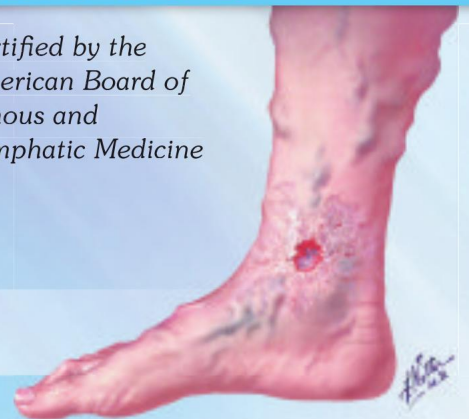
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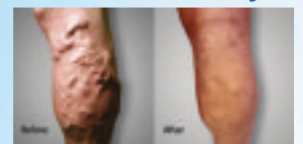
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Emily Ratajkowski: Unblurred Ambition



Model behavior.
The “Blurred Lines” beauty is hell-bent on surprising people.

You know Emily Ratajkowski as the bodacious beauty from Robin Thicke’s “Blurred Lines” video. She’s all nubile flirtation — no top, nude panties, white sneakers and rouged lips temptingly parted — meets wide-eyed pseudo-innocence, playfully skipping and bouncing to the beat.

We watched, gyrated and leered. It was the music world’s “Fifty Shades of Grey,” dividing opinion over its social acceptability: ban it versus give me more. But the line between Ratajkowski’s current image as sexpot eye candy is at odds with her Martin Scorsese acting ambitions. Undaunted, she intends to blur the boundaries between the two worlds by balancing commercial (read: cash-money) roles and artistic career-progressing endeavors.

It will depend upon the success of her upcoming role in director David Fincher’s “Gone Girl” as to whether Ratajkowski can escape that lucrative but vapid music-video dance sphere. Initially, the 22-year-old was reluctant to be cast

in the video.

“Naked girls dancing around in a music video sounded pretty intense, and I didn’t want to be pigeonholed as a music video girl after shooting with Maroon 5 in ‘Love Somebody,’” she says.

However, the model and her family have the final word on the controversial Ratajkowski phenomenon. When asked what her mother, a feminist and English professor,

cavorting could strike discord with Hollywood directors. But as she rightly points out regarding being cast as Ben Affleck’s mistress Andie in “Gone Girl,” scheduled for release in October, “When you’re working with director David Fincher [“The Social Network” and “The Girl With The Dragon Tattoo”] people definitely do take you seriously.”

Of course, the pigeonholing might well be

Ratajkowski on the other F word

“People connect a lot of strange things to that word. In general, I really love women, and I want them to be treated equally. I think some people have a problem with a model who’s done nude work using the word feminist, but I have no problems with saying it.”

thought of the video, she replies, “She thinks it’s beautiful and important for women to embrace their sexuality.”

Ratajkowski, the current face of fashion retail site Revolve, is keen to avoid being typecast as a pretty airhead despite appearing in the 2014 Sports Illustrated Swimsuit Issue.

“I’m definitely not into that swimsuit model vibe. I like the ballet and I like to see female porn films — I’m a little different in that way, I guess,” she asserts.

The British-born model is aware that her topless

something that she has to contend with in the meantime. However, it makes sense for her to make the break from being a desktop dance star to silver-screen sensation in order to certify her as a serious acting talent. “I want to establish myself [in the industry], and there are a few things that’ll be announced in the next few months that will balance everything out,” she says.



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The price of fame

On selling out for Hollywood

For her part, Ratajkowski makes it sound like she’s always had a career game plan, and it doesn’t involve

selling out for questionable success. “Throughout my childhood I acted, so it was always something I felt passionate about — I just really didn’t want to play the mean girl in high

school or the cheerleader,” she says.

Indeed, looks can be deceiving, and behind the ditz dancing is a girl, who in her words, “is looking to surprise people.”

EMILY RATAJKOWSKI IS HOPING HER ROLE IN “GONE GIRL” WILL PROVE TO PEOPLE THAT SHE’S MORE THAN A VIDEO GIRL.

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Online dating tips: The best words for your profile

Love. Find out which words landed daters relationships.

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We're not claiming we've cracked the secret code to online dating because — let's be honest — there isn't one. But researchers have managed to pinpoint a few online terms that might help you find your match more quickly. The dating website PlentyOfFish.com analyzed 1.2 mil-

lion profiles using what's known as the "word cloud" to find the most popular words used by singles who left the dating site because they found relationships, says Sarah Gooding, dating coach and public relations manager for PlentyOfFish.

"People who were most likely to use the word love (66 percent of women and 52 percent of men) found a relationship," said Gooding. "I think the word 'love' is tied to someone who is more in touch and open with their emotions, and they're comfortable expressing that."

"One of the differences we found is that single words, like travel, beach, shop and party (short-term words), are less likely to help someone find a relationship sooner."

But if these are the things you're interested



Winning words

The top 5 words that helped launch singles into relationships were:

- Love
- Time
- Life
- Friend
- Music

in, don't worry. Gooding says, "It's not that those users are unsuccessful, it just might take more time

to connect with those who want the same thing."

Long-term words, such as "relationship," "family"

and "children," help singles connect with people who are looking for the same things. Reviewing

your choice of words might help, but stay genuine, Gooding says: "Being open and up front really helps."

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A great photo and user name are key to getting the most out of the app. / PROVIDED

Grindr tips: Here's how to optimize your online dating experience

Connect. Get the most out of the hot dating app for gay men.

Founder and CEO Joel Simkhai launched Grindr, the dating app tailored to gay men, in 2009 — making him one of the original online dating gurus. Since then, similar apps like Tinder and even 3nder have followed suit with location-based matches.

Needless to say, Simkhai knows what it takes to have a great profile and stand out on the app. “Be honest, post a recent photo and create an interesting profile,” he says. “It’s essentially like an ad.

You’re advertising yourself, so think about it that way,” Simkhai shared his favorite Grindr tips with us on putting your best face forward.

Pick a great photo

This might seem like a no-brainer, but: “You want to show yourself in a good light, and you’re competing against a lot of users,” Simkhai explains. “People’s attention span is really short.” Though guys on straight dating apps will tell you to steer clear of shirtless photos, Simkhai gives his blessing for bare torsos. “If you want to show that off, then absolutely,” he says. “Want to add your face to a shirtless photo? Even better.”

Create a catchy display name

Simkhai points out that other users’ first impression depends on your photo and username. “Make your username something that’s interesting — it could be your name or something you’re looking for or something you like to do,” he says. “That’s a piece of real estate that is very valuable.”

Use filters

Advice

Add users to your favorites list

Maybe you’re chatting with a guy who lives on the other side of town, but who knows? You might end up at the same bar one day and see sparks fly. “Favorites will allow you to see them regardless of where they are, so if someone’s your

favorite and they’re nearby, you can just meet them even if there was no plan to meet up,” says Simkhai. “I’ve often met someone I’m talking to on Grindr just because we’re at the same bar or right next to each other.” It’s also a great way to see if your friends and acquaintances are around for impromptu plans.

Users who subscribe to Grindr Xtra, the premium version of the app, can use filters to narrow their matches by height, weight, body type and ethnicity. “You can easily filter by the type of guy you’re looking for and only see them — and that’s a huge time-saver,” explains Simkhai.

be impersonal, but it’s undoubtedly efficient.

Connect your Instagram account to Grindr

Grindr allows you to add Facebook, Twitter or Instagram, but the cool thing about Instagram is that it allows other users to see more photos of you and your interests. “Even if you don’t have an Instagram, create one with several photos you can use just for Grindr,” advises Simkhai. That is valuable advice, since Grindr profiles only accommodate one photo.



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TIPS FOR PICKING UP BROWN-SKINNED WOMEN

Whenever men who aren't black ask me, "What's it like to date a black woman?" I joke, "I've never dated one. Ask a lesbian." For the curious, and fairer-skinned among you: Your wait is over. Here is a simple list of DO's and DON'Ts for picking up brown-skinned women. Print it out and keep it in your back pocket:

DO keep it simple If you have a friend or acquaintance whose ethnicity doesn't match yours and you'd like to ask him or her out, say something like: "Hey, what you are doing on Friday? We should hang out." (Yep, it's that easy.)

DO have an open mind People are unique and interesting creatures. We all come from different ethnicities, economic classes, educational backgrounds and regions of the globe. As a result, we have very individual ideas about how



What's it like to date a black woman? Funky Brown Chick tells all.

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the world works. When dating anyone, regardless of background, be prepared to brush up against ideas that might run counter to your beliefs. In that case, resist the urge to think your way is "right" and someone else's is wrong. You might learn something new.

DON'T overcompensate Rattling off endorsements such as, "I've always loved looking at black women," "Latinas are saucy," or "Indian women have such great skin" will only make

you look like an ass. On a related note, under absolutely NO circumstances should you bust out in a spontaneous freestyle rap to prove how "down" you are. [Le sigh ... if I had a dollar for every time ...]

DO be truthful Should the topic come up, I don't think there's anything wrong with saying, "I've never really had a(n) ___ girlfriend or anything before because ___." Chances are pretty good that the target of your affections will respect

your honesty. By the way, on a related note, don't lie. No one likes to be led on. So, if you don't really want to hang out or date a woman of color but you'd just like to hook up with one, there are plenty of places and opportunities to do that.

DO treat the object of your affection like a human being I could be completely loony and totally off base with this, but I think most people want to be cherished, loved and desired for who they are. Your woman will have her own unique interests, likes, values and expectations. Spend a little time getting to know her.

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THE PRINCIPAL OF IL PRINCIPE

Find Carlo Bigi at Il Principe (525 Greenwich St., 212-608-1211) / HOTEL HUGO

Dining. Carlo Bigi is in command in Hudson Square.

Carlo Bigi, formerly a chef at Sant Ambroeus and Casa Lever, is now the executive chef at Il Principe, an upscale Italian restaurant that opened in April in Hudson Square. Hudson where? This Lower Manhattan neighborhood, also known as West SoHo, is the area with West Houston Street to the north, Canal Street to the south, Sixth Avenue to the east and the Hudson River to the west.

"[Hudson Square] is going up; it's on the rise. I

believe this is the right food to do here," says Bigi.

Il Principe, located on the ground floor of the newly opened Hotel Hugo, features indoor and outdoor seating and is currently open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Bigi also anticipates a brunch menu.

Born and raised in Italy, Bigi was inspired to become a chef at an early age. "My mother owned a pizzeria, so it was kind of a family thing," he says. "I really liked to work in the kitchen, giving orders. This was a great job for me."

As the executive chef, Bigi infuses both local and imported flavors into his recipes, which can be ex-

perienced in dishes such as eggplant parmesan, Fusilli de Farro (homemade farro fusilli, broccoli rabe and lamb ragout) and Salmone con Insalata di Panzanella (Scottish salmon, cucum-

ber, tomatoes, croutons and pickled red onion salad).

One of the dishes Bigi says he is most proud of on Il Principe's menu is the gnocchi. "I always loved gnocchi," he says. "Now we serve it at Il Principe with buffalo ricotta and a lemon-butter sauce."

Bigi says it's the changes that strengthen the menu, as well as his character. "You gain experience by seeing and doing new things," he says. "These experiences open your eyes and your mind."

Tip

Bigi's advice to aspiring chefs?

Always try new things. "The best thing for any aspiring chef to do is to work with different chefs and learn new things, new techniques," he says. "This is how you get better."

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Carlo Bigi / HOTEL HUGO

Trends on tap. Shindig, the 'social network for drinkers,' tells you what to drink and where.

Have you ever found yourself in a boozy no man's land with nary a Ramos Gin Fizz in sight?

Shindig can help. The app is a "social network for drinkers," as co-founder Harry Raymond calls it, and lets users share photos and locations of their drinks — a kind of combination of Foursquare and Instagram. Shindig also allows users to find cocktails, beers, wines and spirits based on their locations.

"We've scanned hundreds of thousands of drink menus all over the world, and if you're in a certain location, you can find a drink wherever you want," says Raymond. "You can pull out Shindig and it



Shindig knows drinks go in and out of fashion, too. / SHINDIG

will scan all the restaurants and bars around you and show you where you can find a Bloody Mary."

Raymond's team provided a list of trending picks, based on rise in popularity over the last 60 days.

1 Bell's Brewery Two Hearted Ale (133 percent) This well-respected Michigan brewery made its long-awaited New York debut in February. Craft beer bars like Idle Hands Bar celebrated the arrival with weeklong specials. Like much of the country, New Yorkers fell in

love with Two Hearted Ale, an American IPA with a complex hoppy, floral taste. The brew is perfect for spring.

2 Bacon Bloody Mary (166 percent) The Bloody Mary is one of the most popular drinks, with an unsurprising spike in traffic between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. on Sundays. What is surprising is that Bacon Bloody Marys seem to be gaining popularity this spring. Either drinkers are over their New Year's resolutions of cutting the fat, or more New York bars are serving Bloodies with such garnishes.

3 Public House Wine (400 percent) Now available in many more stores, this New York-based boxed wine startup has shown signs of catching on downtown. Each box comes

with party cups, making this a popular choice for rooftop gatherings.

4 Ommegang's Game of Thrones Fire and Blood (2,300 percent) This new release, which came out in late March, has been a hit with HBO fan boys and craft-beer nerds alike. Drinkers are flocking to specialty beer stores such as ABC Beer Co., Good Beer NYC and Top Hops for the latest beer from one of New York's favorite breweries.

5 Harpoon Long Thaw White IPA (271 percent) You'd expect the ever-popular UFO White to win the day, but Long Thaw is trending for this growing Boston Brewery. Perhaps it's the balanced flavor of orange and hops. **ANDREA PARK**



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♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. Irrational jealousy will cause problems. Don't say anything you may later regret. Recognize your shortcomings, and work at becoming the person you want to be.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Relationship issues can be successfully handled with finesse. Make a move that will help you promote your desires.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22. Spare yourself grief by keeping quiet. You could get hurt if you are too open. Don't reveal personal information, lest someone use it against you.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21. Some changes are necessary if you plan to follow your dreams. Build up your energy level in order to help your self-image.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21. Show the ones you love how much you care; someone may be feeling left out. Offer a pep talk.

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Letters

IRS has been a tool before

Re: 'IRS said it was wrong' (Metro, May 21)

The most important point has yet to be made, and it involves letter writer Ron Shelton's original question: How would you feel if the roles were reversed? That should sound familiar, because it's the exact same question the American left asked of the American right when the Bush administration sicced the IRS on groups (including a church) that dared to question the Iraq War.

MARC BESCHLER, VIA EMAIL

for cyclists' (Metro, May 21) Letter writers Michelle Calabro and Jack Dickenson are wrong — potentially dead wrong — on bicycling against traffic. Eighty percent of bike-car collisions occur at intersections. Motorists look only in the direction of oncoming traffic before bolting out into intersections. If you bike against traffic flow, you are totally invisible to motorists at every intersection. According to the League of American Bicyclists, 14 percent of bike-car crashes involve wrong-way bicycling, while only 3 percent involve motorists striking a bicyclist from behind.

BOB STERNER, VIA EMAIL

Follow the law, save yourself

Re: 'Salmoning is safer'



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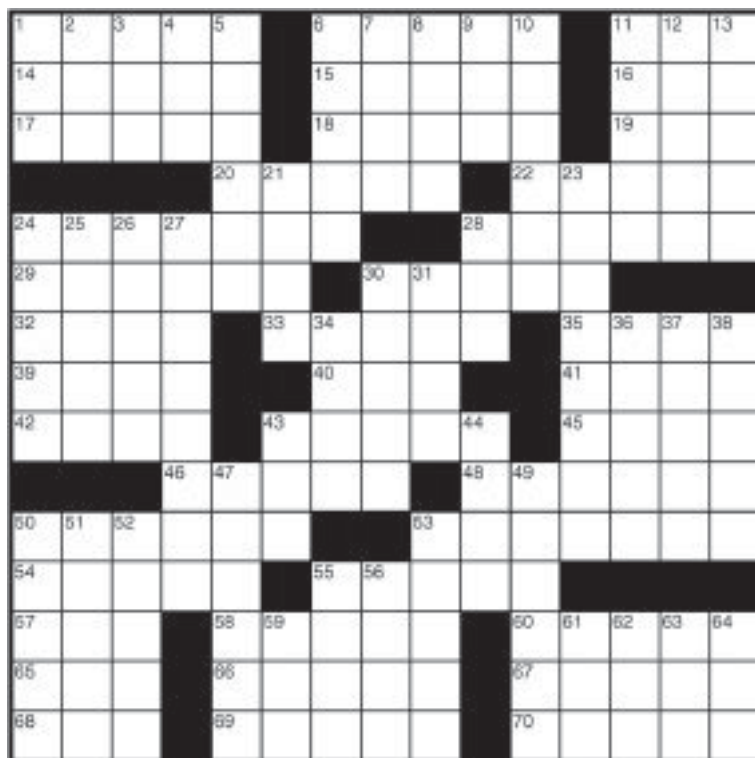
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Vigneault brings new demeanor to playoffs

NHL playoffs.

The team is feeling a much different vibe with Alain Vigneault in charge this postseason.

Anton Stralman laughed when it was suggested Rangers head coach Alain Vigneault was hired to be the anti-John Tortorella.

It was a reflexive response from a man who experienced both coaches firsthand.

"Maybe a little bit," Stralman said after the Rangers' practice Wednesday at Madison Square Garden. "Yeah, [Tortorella was] a little more verbose, that's for sure. I think A.V. has been

good for us."

Vigneault's composure has been both welcomed and a benefit for a squad that had tired of Tortorella's volcanic eruptions.

The Rangers lead the best-of-seven Eastern Conference finals 2-0 over the Canadiens and a win in Game 3 on Thursday could put a stranglehold on the series.

"He's very calm," Stralman said. "There [have been] a few times [he had] a little temper on the bench. But other than that, he keeps poised. I think that's contagious for [the] players."

When general manager Glen Sather introduced Vigneault as the 35th head coach in franchise history on June 21, 2013, the executive stressed



Alain Vigneault has the Rangers on the cusp of the Stanley Cup Finals in his first year. / GETTY IMAGES

the new hire favored an offensive style his predecessor, Tortorella, was unwilling to implement.

And the power play has been greatly improved, finishing 15th in

the league in the regular season. Even with an 0-for-36 stretch on the power play earlier in the playoffs, the Rangers rank ninth in the league with a 15.4 percent success rate.

"We're working at it," John Moore said. "We're only going to get better."

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Game-time call

Brassard still a question mark for Game 3

Derick Brassard smiled and laughed, but he did not divulge whether he would be able to play in Game 3 of the Eastern Conference finals.

"That's a good question," Brassard said after the Rangers practice Wednesday, when asked if he felt well enough to play.

The Rangers center missed Game 2 after being steamrolled by a Mike Weaver check in the first period of Game 1. Brassard only played 35 seconds in the 7-2 rout.

Brassard noted the decision to have him sit out Game 2 was a collective consensus from "the medical staff," and coaches. He is expected to be a game-time decision for Game 3.

"I want to get back out there and help out," Brassard said. "It's really frustrating."

Brassard said he will participate in the morning skate Thursday



BRASSARD HAS SEVEN POINTS IN THE POSTSEASON. / GETTY IMAGES

before meeting with coaches and the medical staff to determine if he can go. DENIS GORMAN

Tok up

Tokarski will start in net, Vanek skates on fourth line

Following the Canadiens' practice in Brossard, Quebec, head coach Michel Therrien announced Dustin Tokarski will start Game 3.

Tokarski made 27 saves in his first Stanley Cup playoff game, as he started in place of Carey Price, who was lost for the series following a collision with Chris Kreider in Game 1.

What isn't known is which line Thomas Vanek will skate on. Therrien instructed reporters "not to read too much" into the fact Vanek skated on the fourth line. But Vanek did not have a shot on goal in Game 2, and took a two-minute minor for slashing Ryan McDonagh's hand while in the offensive zone and the Canadiens on a power play.

"He's a veteran," Max Pacioretty said of Vanek. "He doesn't need [a pep talk]. He's contributed to this team's success in the playoffs. He knows it. We all talk. Behind closed doors we're all having a good time and we all want to help this team win." DENIS GORMAN

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"It seems there's always got to be a story when you lose."

Max Pacioretty, Montreal left wing, on being asked questions about fellow forward Thomas Vanek's apparent demotion

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Sitting in the slot

Q&A with Jalen Saunders: Bigger than his size would indicate

With their first pick in the fourth round, the Jets took a wide receiver who was certainly a playmaker in college. Jalen Saunders may be just 5-foot-9, but he is fast and elusive, reminding some of current Jets receiver Jeremy Kerley.

During his senior season at Oklahoma, he had 61 catches for 729 yards with eight

touchdowns. He also had two touchdowns as a returner on special teams.

How the Jets utilize him — whether in the slot, coming around on reverses and end arounds or on special teams — remains to be seen. But he can be a weapon and offer the Jets another look as they try to use multiple formations on offense this year.

Metro New York had the chance to catch up with Saunders during rookie minicamp.

Do the Jets see you

in the slot this year or perhaps on the opposite side?

I really don't know; I really can't tell you that. I'm just going to go out there, work hard and try to showcase my abilities.

It's known what you can potentially bring at wide receiver and also on special teams. What did the coaching staff tell you about why they drafted you?

They liked my versatility. They liked



JALEN SAUNDERS WAS SECOND-TEAM

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my toughness. I love playing tough on the field, no matter what my size is. I will just come in and play hard every play. That's one thing I love, just playing the game of football.

You aren't the biggest receiver, but it is clear from watching tape that you like to bring some physicality to the position. Is that something you pride yourself on?

A lot of people say they want to be a complete

receiver. To me, that means you have to be good at blocking [and] you have to be good at your route running. It is more than just catching the ball. You have to be able to do everything, especially at this level.

There had to be some jitters here with it being your first day as a pro.

A little bit, I kind of expected it. I think it was good. It was great being around the team. It was good to be around the coaches, learn about them. It's been great all around. KRISTIAN DYER

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